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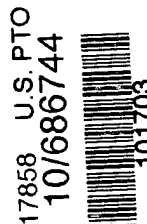
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Inventor: LOUIS LAGLER

**Title: COORDINATED MULTIAxis HINGE AND CLOSURE
USING THE SAME**

Please find attached hereto an application for patent which includes: Specification and Abstract, Claims, and a certified copy of the foreign priority document identified below:

Verified Showing of Small Entity Status: **NO**

Drawings: Formal drawings, 7 sheets, Figures 1 through 15b

Claim of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119: **YES**

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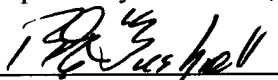
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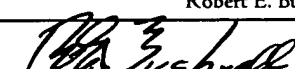
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- ☒ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39 (1).
- ☐ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☒ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). WO 99/57029
 - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
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- ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

- 1. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.-1449 and International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)
- 2. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 3. ☒ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
- ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
- 4. ☐ A substitute specification.
- 5. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- 6. ☒ Other items or information:
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7. ☒ The following fees are submitted:**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5):**

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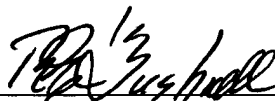
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This transmittal accompanies Substitute Formal Figures 1 through 15b (7 sheets) for the above-captioned continuation application. These drawings incorporate the drawing amendments proposed in the Preliminary Amendment concurrently submitted with these drawings.

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